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ISRAEL MINISTRY OF DEFENSE

Lieutenant Cohen, Abraham (Avi), of blessed memory

Son of Zippora and Itzhak

Born in Kiryat Bialik, May 6, 1953

Killed serving in the Air Force, March 7, 1978

Buried in the Israel Defense Force cemetery in Haifa

Biography

Abraham was a student in the school Habonim where he was known for his love of nature and of field trips. He continued his studies at the military boarding school, Beit Biram, then in the Reali high school in Haifa where he majored in biology. He was among the outstanding students in his class of 1971.

He was accepted into the air force as a pilot 2 months prior to the Yom Kippur War in 1973 and saw action. He returned unharmed, with much battle experience. After 1 1/2 years of service as a pilot trainer, he proudly returned to his squadron. Abraham planned to continue his service in the air force, combined with academic studies, to marry and to establish a family.

He was known as a stickler for order and cleanliness. He loved physics and mathematics. His hobbies were deep-sea diving and fishing and hiking along the trails of Israel which he knew so well.

On ^MMarch 7, 1978, he was sent on a defense mission but did not return.

